CONRAD SPEIDEL, PIONEER IN DRUG BUSINESS, CALLED

and Comes Peacefully at Ripe old Age for Early Merchant of This Community.

RESIDED HERE 55 YEARS

conducted Store on Second Avenue Since 1865-Deceased Born in

corrad A. Speldel, pioneer retail tracist of this city, passed quietly sear at 2:30 this morning, at his ters, 524 Twenty-third street. He and been falling for the past five seeks, but death came without sufering and was due to infirmities of

Mr. Spiedel, who was 85 years of age, was born in Wurtemberg, Schorn-ier, Germany, April 6, 1828. He recired his early education at Wurtemperg and after graduating from high ers. shool learned the drug business, startesse. From there he went to Phila. set for quarterly examinations, siphia where he held a similar position for six months

Came Here in 1858.

In 1858 he moved to Rock Island, eneleg the drug business with Mr. maries under the firm name of Speidel & Glacius. Their store was hes located in the old Buford block ing After two years he sold out his interest to his associate and became a bint owner in a photograph gallery with E L Gaylord. Later he opened s drug store on the site where the Gemein & Salamann store is now located, In 1865 Mr. Speldel moved his tore to 1605 Second avenue, where he sensined 10 years before taking the sind next door, where he remained entil he retired. During this time he he sold, and then opened up a store en Elm street and Fifth avenue. This day afternoon, latter place he sold to Mr. Rudert about 39 years ago.

alt, physicians of the old school, all but very little credence in it. whom have passed from earth. preference to a physician. He always retained high confidence ment. shout his business, would believe that be had passed his four score.

In Location 48 Years.

be sold out to A. J. Riesa last Oc-

passed away August 11, 1899. One Thekin, at home survive. Another con Ernst, died in 1892, leaving a son. Harol I, who is now in the senior class

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS WILL BE HELD SOON

Civil service examinations will be held at the United States engineer offite, Rock Island, quarterly, April 1, July 1 and Oct. 1 of each year, for replenishing the lists of "registered positions" in connection with the work fiver; its tributuries and other locali-

Ban; surveyors, masters, mates, pi- on that day. ets, steermen and steam engineers requiring Beense); recorders, surveyman, transitmen, levelmen, rodmen, Weters, linesman, lockmasters, lock- III., exclusive agent.—(Adv.)

VETERAN DRUGGIST CALLED BY DEATH



men, powderman, stewards and strik-

are a clerk. For several years he of these positions are advised to ap-Those desiring and able to fill any ses employed in this business in ply in time for examination papers in the middle of a street," said Mr. verey, Switzerland, He came to this which are to be filled out by them and Treichler. "I think it time the councentry in 1854, settling in New York, returned for filing not later than the cil took some action in the matter." there he was employed in a drug 15th of the month preceding the dates

on the site of the present Best build. Captain Blair Predicts to Exact Day Closing of Mississippi Channel.

port riverman, is today hailed as the greatest prognosticator of modern times, due to the fact that he predicted to the exact day the time at which the Mississippi channel would close. The perated a business in Moline, which guard at the bridge officially announced that the river closed at 1:55 yester-

Jan. 27 Captain Blair made his prediction to a representative of the Dav-As a druggist he was in his prime in enport Democrat. The public was sioner Rudgren, who framed the ordiis days of Truesdale, Plummer and startled at the statement and placed nance, which requires an annual fee

Jan. 27, it was warm and springlike among many of the old families, it in this vicinity and the majority of for the first six months, since the orwas to Mr. Speidel the ailing members people were walking the streets withwould go to for relief, choosing him out even donning overcoats. At that time, Blair made the following state-

"You ask if we will have any cold well preserved man for his years, few weather this winter and will the river up to May 1. Mayor Schriver and of these of the present generation who freeze over at this point? Sure. I Commissioner Bear voted no, the othobserved his buoyant step as he went predict the Mississippi will freeze er three commissioners favoring the over at the point Feb. 9. It will be motion. full moon then and it is at this time that we have our coldest nights. It When the communication of Build-He conducted the store in the 1600 nearly closed during the last two full ing Inspector J. H. Stapp relative to

year." Captain Blair's announcement in the He was united in marriage to Miss Democrat of Jan. 27 excited comment Willielmine Cronenberg, October 27, all over the Mississippi valley and 1842, at her home L. Davenport. She all over the Mississippi valley and the story was given wide publicity. see, Huge, who is a contractor in Pat- There have been scores of bets laid breen, N. J., and one daughter, Miss as to whether or not the riverman's prediction would hold water. One Davenporter wagered \$100 to \$25 that according to the report of Mr. Stapp, Blair's guess would be wrong. Other bets of smaller amounts were made in various eigar stores, clubs and cafes.

LINCOLN DAY SPREAD WILL BE REAL TREAT

Special interest is being taken in the Lincoln Day banquet which the ing Commissioner Hart "to close members of the Rock Island club will the Commercial hotel because of the enjoy Thursday evening. The com- unsufe condition of said hotel and to mittee in charge has secured some prevent all persons from entering or excellent speakers for the occasion, using said building as a hotel." including Prof. Glenn R. Merry of the of improving the upper Miseissippi University of Iowa and Col. G. W. Burr, commandant at the arsenal. Congressman Clyde Tavenner has also These positions include superintend-been asked to make an address, and Thirteenth avenues and on Tweffth this, inspectors, overseers and fore will do so if congress is not in session avenue, First to Second street, was

The Skin and Not the Blood. Until recently it has been a gendainmen, etc., and timekeepers and erally accepted theory that eczema ed. Commissioner Hart's amendment Melvers of material, the mechanical was a disease of the blood. Scienrades, carpenters, blacksmiths, etc., tific investigations have taught us bridgetenders, cranesmen, dredge en- that eczema is positively a skin distheers, engineman (all steam engi- ease and curble through the skin ers not licensed), game readers, alone. Merito, Eczema Remedy is offers (as engineer's helper, general applied directly to the diseased skin. Sectionical helper, etc.), junitor, leads | Do not delay trying Meritol Eczema en, shipkeepers, handymen, light Remedy. H. O. Rolfs, Rock Island,



CLAIMS PROPERTY OWNERS SWINDLE IN SMOOTH DEAL

City Engineer Treichler Tells Commission Parts of Streets Are Sold for Lots.

WANTS AN INVESTIGATION

Commissioner Reynolds and City Attorney Witter Named to Make Probe Into Situation.

Sensational charges that residents in certain parts of the city have been "duped" by real estate sharks into purchasing land which had never been legally platted, were made by City Engineer Wallace Treichler at the meeting of the city commission yesterday afternoon.

"I know for a fact that parts of streets and avenues belonging to the city have been sold and that one house on Forty-fifth street, south of

"The trouble exists in what has been known as the Keystone addition, in the southeastern section of the city. Some 18 or 20 years ago lots were sold here. They were described by metes and bounds according to a 'certain plat' which was never prop erly recorded. The trace of the original ownership has practically been lost. The result is many parties, ignorant of conditions, have purchased lots which are actually located on streets and alleys."

The district involved in the tangle is declared by Mr. Treichler to include Fifteenth avenue, Forty-fourth to Forty-fifth street; half of Sixteenth avenue, Forty-fifth to Forty-sixth street; Seventeenth avenue, Forty-fifth to Forty-sixth street; Forty-sixth street, Sixteenth to Eighteenth avenue; Fifteenth avenue, Thirty-first to Thirty-

Make Rebates.

A rebate of \$100 was allowed hotel men on their cafe licenses. Commisof \$400, stated that hotel proprietors were objecting to paying the full fee dinance was passed January 15 and was not in effect until about February He therefore proposed that they be charged but \$100 for three months

Approve Report.

He conducted the store in the 1600 moons in December and January. If the unsafe condition of the Commerlick continuously since 1865, making a remarkable record of 48 years, until to does not close at this time Feb. 9, the solid out to A. J. Riesa last Oc
1 will despair of it closing at all this stoner Hart, there was considerable. discussion over what the proced ... should be. The report of inspector Stapp was finally adopted with the amendment that the building be "removed or placed in a safe condition. Commissioner Bear felt that it would be impossible to accomplish the latter, since it was stated therein that the foundation is crumbling. He argued that if the roof or walls alone were faulty, it might be possible to make the structure safe, but felt that if the foundation was giving away, removal would be the only remedy.

A resolution was passed instruct-

Pass Ordinances.

An ordinance for water mains on First street between Twelfth and considered, the estimated cost being \$1,241.40. An ordinance for paving Eighth and a half avenue from Thirtyfourth to Thirty-first street was adoptto the building ordinance was considered, a few minor changes in the same being made

Wants Lights.

A committee composed of M. H. Sexton, Ralph Lamont and J. J. Ullemeyer of the Business Men's assoclation appeared before the commission on behalf of better lights for the city. Mr. Sexton addressed the councll in an earnest plea that Spencer square be properly illuminated. He also urged that the city bear the expense of cluster lights in the business district. He declared that in other cities merchants are not compelled to pay for current as they are here.

Mayor Schriver explained that he thought the contract with the People's Power company which had expired should not be renewed until after the local option election is over. He felt the condition of the city's bxchequer should be definitely known before specific terms with the company could be intelligently considered. Commissioner Rudgren, however, is of the opinion that the city must have lights "salcons or no salcons," and is anxious that the contract with the company be concluded at once.

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331/3% off on all those not specially priced 50% off on Children's Sets

Winter has just begun in earnest. NOW IS THE TIME TO USE YOUR FURS. If you have decided to wait until next year to buy, you are making a serious mistake for four reasons. In the first place you need them this year; now. In the second place they are selling at a great reduction and loss to the merchant. He needs the money for other investments, in the third place. The selling season has been so backward up to now that there is still a very good selection left. In the fourth place we have the best furs this year that we have had for many a season. One can never tell when furs will be hard to get. They are subject to bad years the same as are crops. Buy now.

Former Price	Sale Price	
Hudson Seal Muff\$27.50	\$16.00	
Hudson Seal Scarf 19.50	13.50	
Near Seal Scarf 10.95	6.00	
Gray Coney Scarf 7.95	4.95	
Gray Coney Muff 9.95	6.55	
Black Fox Muff 18.50	11.50	
Black Fox Muff 27.50	15.75	
Black Lynx Muff 45.00	22.50	
Black Lynx Scarf 55.00	29.00	
Black Wolf Muff 8.95	5.25	
Black Wolf Muff 10.95	5.50	
Red Fox Scarf 29.95	18.50	
Red Fox Scarf 29.95	18.00	
Ptd. Fox Sets 22.50	14.25	
Leopard Set 49.50	33.00	
Civet Cat Scarf 45.00	30.00	
Civet Cat Muff 30.00	20.00	
White Set 27.50	12.75	
White Set 12.50	6.00	
White Set 9.95	4.75	
Gray Wolf Sets 5.95	2.97	
Black Muff (Wolf) 12.95	6.30	

Former Price	Sale Price
River Mink Scarf , 9.95	\$ 5.25
River Mink Muff 5.95	3.15
River Mink Muff, large size 11.95	7.35
Marmot Muff, good size 12.95	7.35
Marmot Scarf 10.95	5.35
Jap Mink Muff 17.50	12,60
Jap Mink Muff 16.50	11.55
Jap Mink Scarf 12.50	7.35
Jap Mink Muff, small size 14.50	9.45
Genuine Beaver Muff 34.95	21.00
Beaver Scarf 19.50	10.50
Beaver Scarf #.50	21.00
Beaver Scarf 53.50	31.50
Nat. Wolf Sets 19.50	13.25
Jap Fox Sets 14.95	7.85
Genuine American Mink Muff., 57.50	35.00
Genuine American Mink Muff 57.50	30.00
Genuine American Mink Muff., 95.00	60.00
Genuine American Mink Scarf 137.50	78.75
Genuine American Mink Scarf., 63.50	37.50
Genuine Marten Scarf 46.00	29.50
Genuino Marten Muff 42.50	26.50



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LODGE ROOM



Allouez council, Knights of Colum- been leased to the council for a long hall, the former Y. M. C. A. auditorbus, is now occupying its new quarters term of years. Mr. Marron has made lum, in which a new hard wood floor Subscriptions to Indian River Farm. in Electrical building, corner Third extensive improvements in the struc- has been laid, with four large rooms er, for truckers, fruit growers, general avenue and Nineteenth street, which ture and the local council has one of at the north end of the building. farmers and folks who want to know J. T. Marron purchased recently for the finest lodge homes in the three These rooms are devoted to a library, All of the space on the second floor has. The new quarters include a large and kitchen. The kitchen will be about Flortia. Address Indian River the Electrical Construction company. cities.

used on occasions when the council holds dancing parties or receptions. A number of lectures and entertainments have been arranged for the members and friends to be held cur

Notice.

The tax collector's office will be open every Saturday night. JOHN HUNTOON.

Nature Still "Casts Out Devils" Through the 5,000,000 Pores of Your Body and Through the Bowels, Liver and Kidneys.

If you don't think they're REAL Devils, just let them accumulate, as in constipation and billousness. A whole broad of demons appear, such as indigestion, flatulency, heart-burns, palpitation, dizziness, jaundice, congestion of the Liver, Later these grow into Bright's Disease, Typhoid, Malaria, etc. Winter's a fine time for these Devils-to get in their work, because the pores are not open, and what you sweated out in summer must be strained off by the Liver in winter— and the Liver dams or closs with

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